

# Uncertainty quantification of simulation codes based on experimental data

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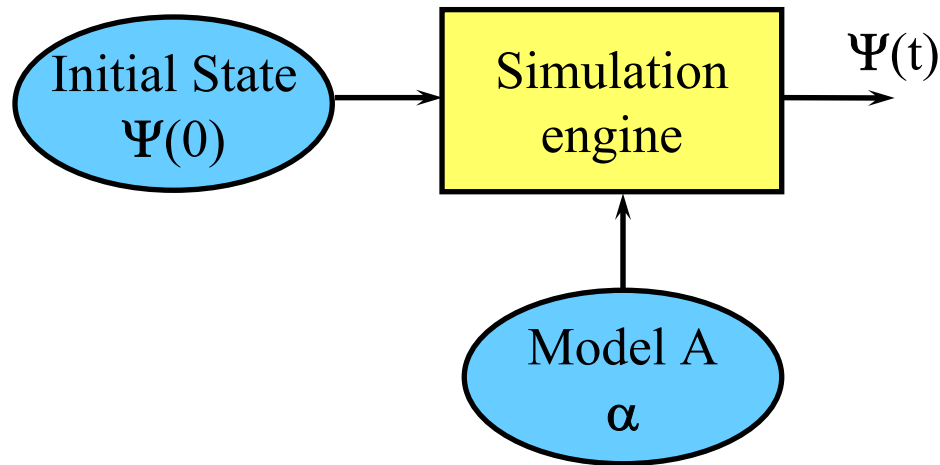
# Overview

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- Physics simulations codes
  - ▶ need to be understood on basis of experimental data
  - ▶ focus on physics submodels
- Bayesian analysis
  - ▶ more than parameter estimation
  - ▶ uncertainty quantification (UQ) is central issue
  - ▶ each new experiment used to improve knowledge of models
- Analysis process
  - ▶ employ hierarchy of experiments, from basic to fully integrated
  - ▶ goal is to learn as much possible from all experiments
- Example of analysis process: material model evolution

# Schematic view of simulation code

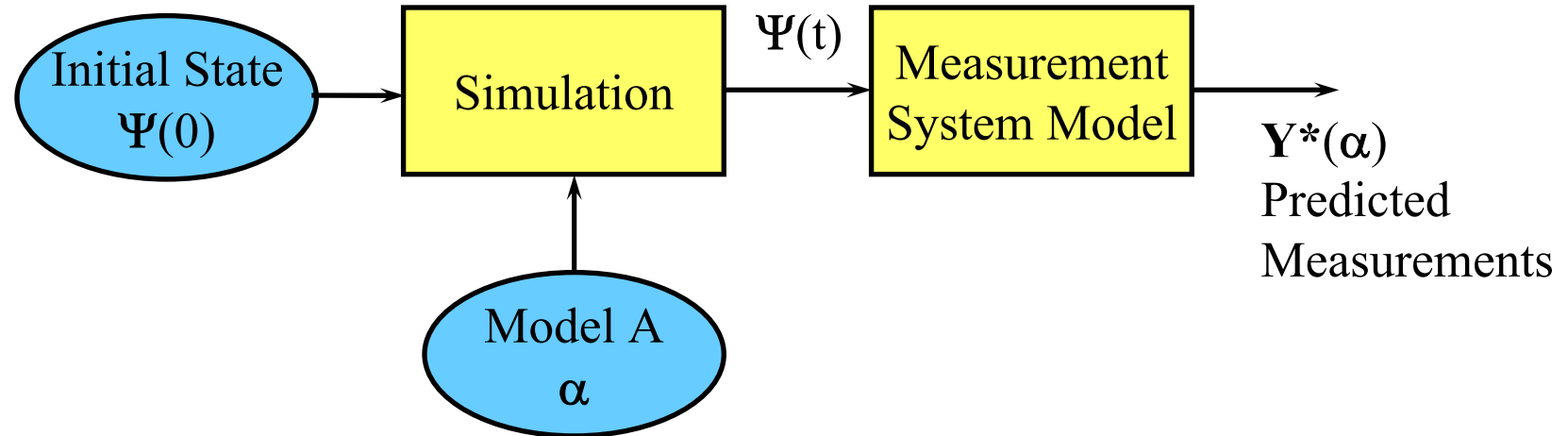
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- Simulation code predicts state of time-evolving system  
 $\Psi(t)$  = time-dependent state of system
- Requires as input
  - $\Psi(0)$  = initial state of system
  - description of physics behavior of each system component;  
e.g., physics model A with parameter vector  $\alpha$  (e.g., constitutive relations)
- Simulation engine solves the dynamical equations (PDEs)

# Simulation code predicts measurements

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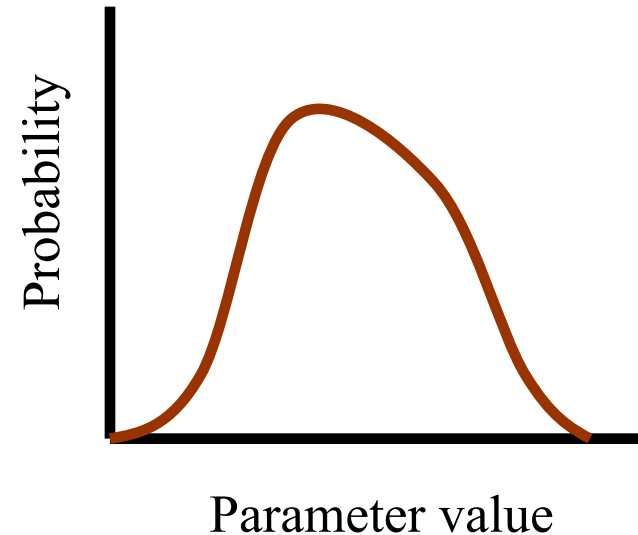


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 $\Psi(t)$  = time-dependent state of system
- Model of measurement system yields predicted measurements

# Bayesian uncertainty analysis

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- Uncertainties in parameters are characterized by probability density functions (pdf)
- Probability interpreted as quantitative measure of “degree of belief”
- Rules of classical probability theory apply
- Bayes law provides way to update knowledge about models as summarized in terms of uncertainty



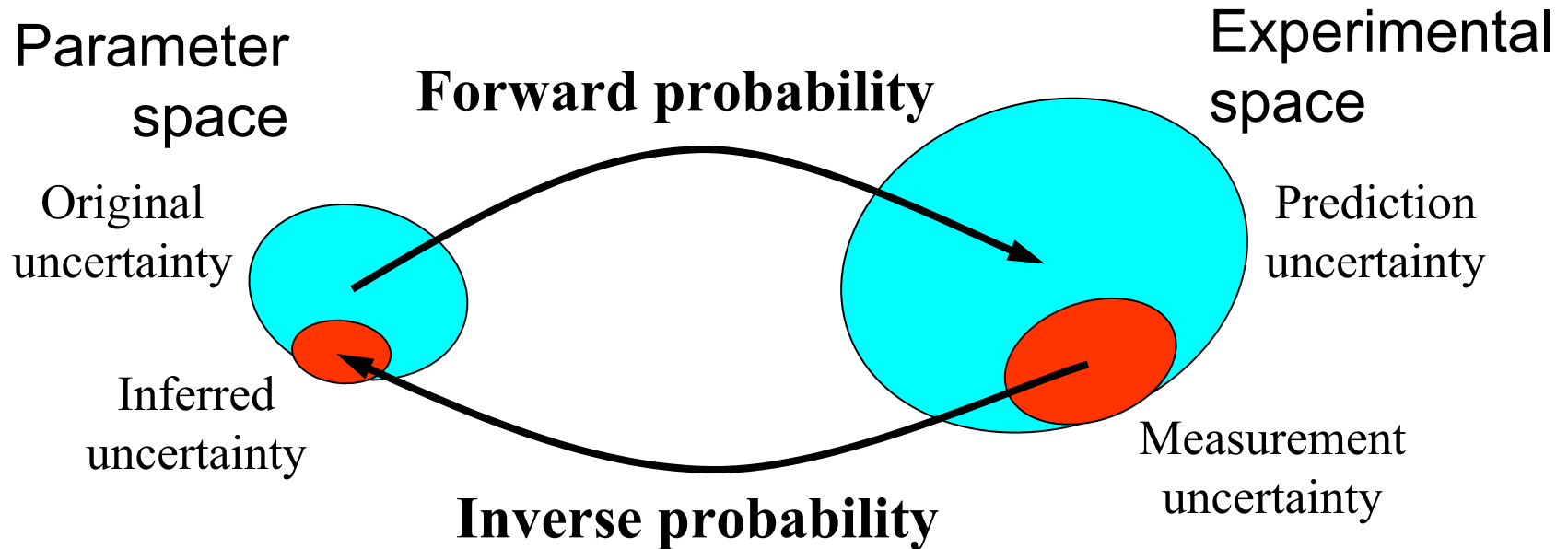
# Bayesian calibration

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## Estimation of model parameters **and their uncertainties**

- Bayesian foundation
  - ▶ focus is as much on uncertainties in parameters as on their best value
  - ▶ use of prior knowledge, e.g., previous experiments
  - ▶ model checking;  
does model agree with experimental evidence?

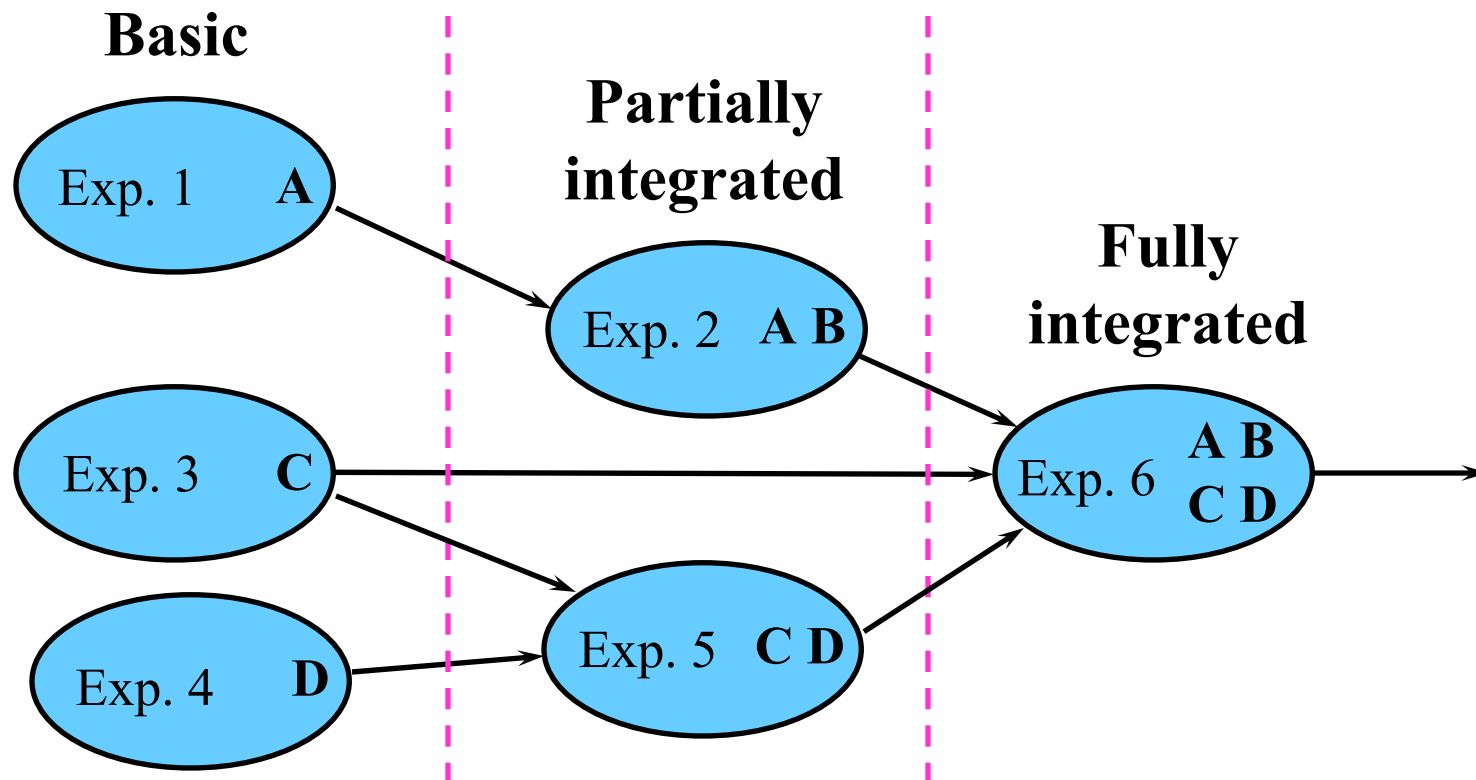
# Forward and inverse probability



- Model inference
  - ▶ if uncertainties in measurements are smaller than prediction uncertainties that arise from parameter uncertainties, one may be able to use measurements to reduce uncertainties in parameters
  - ▶ requires that prediction uncertainties are dominated by uncertainties in parameters and not by those in experimental set up
  - ▶ **good experimental technique** important for **Bayesian calibration**

# Analysis of hierarchy of experiments

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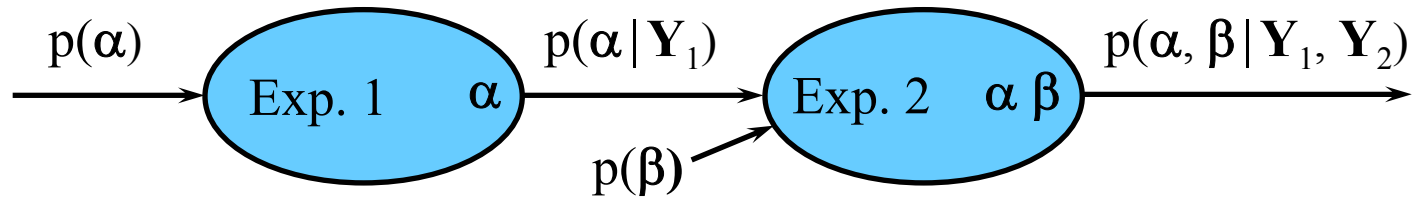


- Information flow in analysis of series of experiments
- Bayesian calibration –
  - ▶ analysis of each experiment updates model parameters and their uncertainties, consistent with previous analyses
  - ▶ information about models accumulates

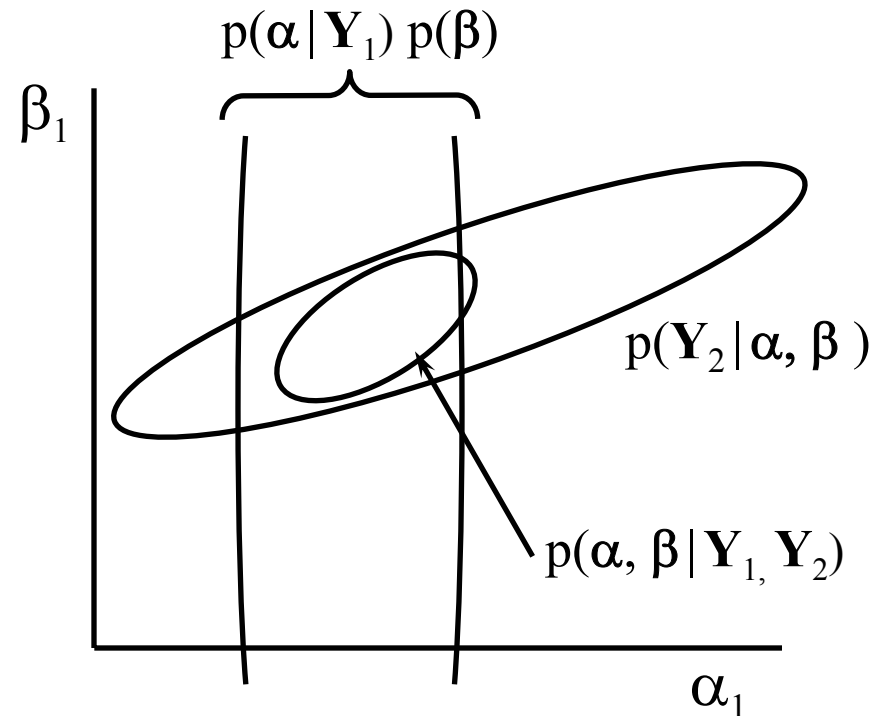


# Graphical probabilistic modeling

Propagate uncertainty through analyses of two experiments



- First experiment determines  $\alpha$ , with uncertainties given by  $p(\alpha | Y_1)$
- Second experiment not only determines  $\beta$  but also refines knowledge of  $\alpha$
- Outcome is joint pdf in  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ,  $p(\alpha, \beta | Y_1, Y_2)$  (NB: correlations)



# Bayesian calibration for simulation codes

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- Goal is to develop an uncertainty model for the simulation code by comparison to experimental measurements
  - ▶ determine and quantify sources of uncertainty
  - ▶ uncover potential inconsistencies of submodels with expts.
  - ▶ possibly introduce additional submodels, as required
- Recursive process
  - ▶ aim is to develop submodels that are consistent with all experiments (within uncertainties)
  - ▶ a hierarchy of experiments helps substantiate submodels over wide range of physical conditions
  - ▶ each experiment potentially advances our understanding

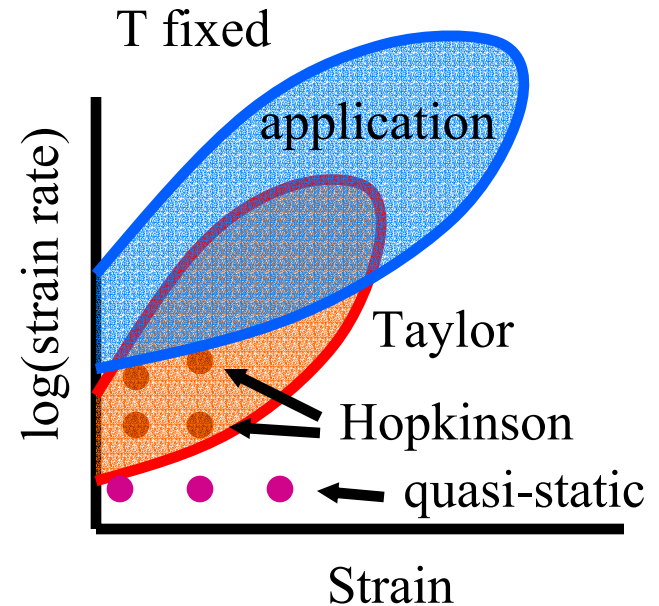
# Motivating example

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- Problem statement
  - ▶ design containment vessel using high-strength steel, HSLA 100
  - ▶ predict depth of vessel-wall penetration for specified shrapnel fragments at specified impact velocity
  - ▶ estimate uncertainty in this prediction to estimate safety factor
- Approach
  - ▶ determine what experiments are needed to characterize stress-strain relationship for plastic flow of metal
  - ▶ follow the uncertainty through the analysis of expt. data
  - ▶ variables to consider: temperature, strain rate, variability in material composition, processing, behavior

# Hierarchy of experiments - plasticity

- Basic characterization experiments - measure stress-strain relationship at specific strain and strain rate
  - ▶ quasi-static – low strain rates
  - ▶ Hopkinson bar – medium strain rates
- Partially integrated expts. - Taylor test
  - ▶ covers range of strain rates
  - ▶ extends range of physical conditions
- Full integrated expts.
  - ▶ mimic application as much as possible
  - ▶ **projectile impacting plate**
  - ▶ may involve extrapolation of operating range; so introduces additional uncertainty
  - ▶ integrated expts. can help reduce model uncertainties



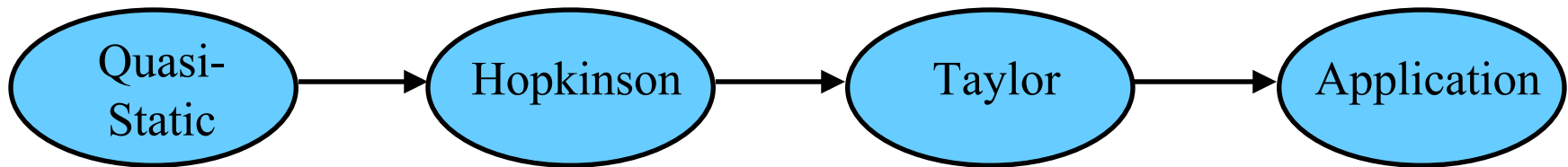
# Analysis of hierarchy of experiments

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**Basic  
experiments**



**Fully integrated  
application**

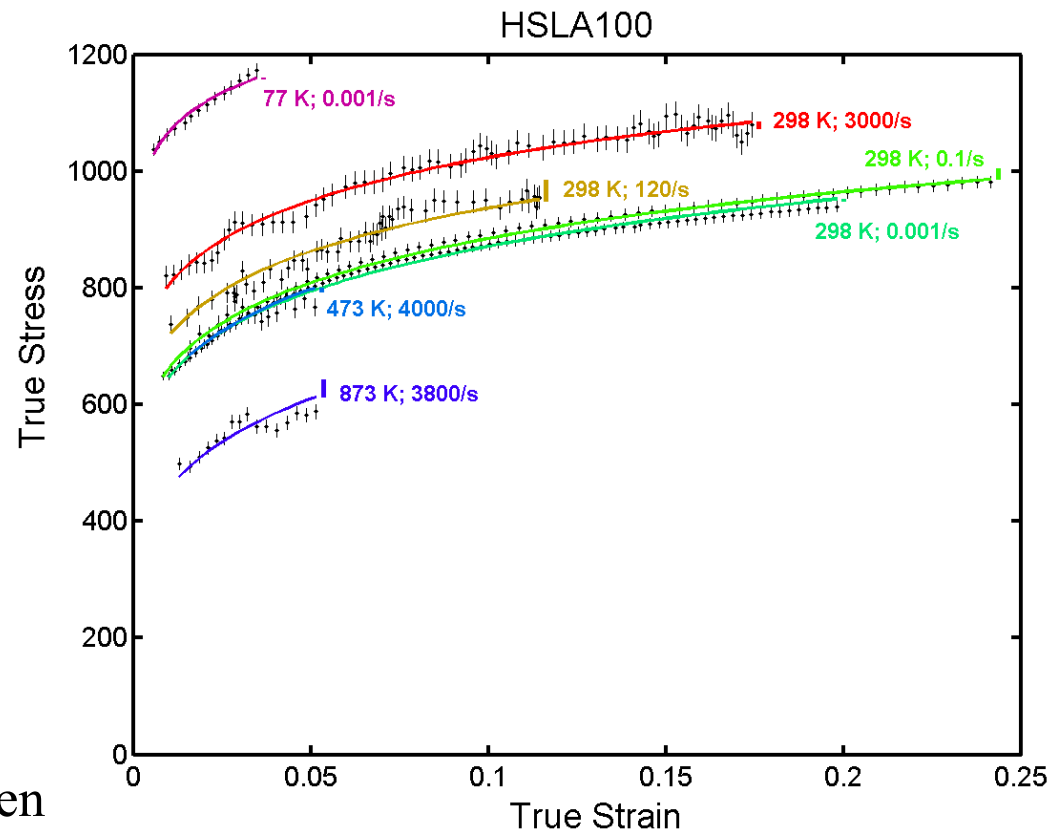


- Series of experiments to determine plastic behavior of a metal
- Information flow shown for analysis sequence
- Bayesian calibration –
  - ▶ analysis of each experiment updates model parameters and their uncertainties, consistent with previous experiments
  - ▶ information about models accumulates throughout process

# Stress-strain relation for plastic deformation

## Analysis of quasi-static and Hopkinson bar measurements†

- Zerilli-Armstrong model for rate- and temperature-dependent plasticity
  - Parameters determined from Hopkinson bar measurements and quasi-static tests
  - Full uncertainty analysis – including systematic effects of offset of each data set (6 + 7 parms)
- $$\sigma = \alpha_1 + \alpha_5 \varepsilon_p^{\alpha_6} + \alpha_2 \exp \left[ \left( -\alpha_3 + \alpha_4 \log \frac{\partial \varepsilon_p}{\partial t} \right) T \right]$$



†data supplied by Shuh-Rong Chen

# ZA parameters and their uncertainties

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Parameters +/- rms error:

$$\alpha_1 = 103 \pm 33$$

$$\alpha_2 = 954 \pm 63$$

$$\alpha_3 = 0.00408 \pm 0.00059$$

$$\alpha_4 = 0.000117 \pm 0.000029$$

$$\alpha_5 = 996 \pm 22$$

$$\alpha_6 = 0.247 \pm 0.021$$

RMS errors, including  
correlation coefficients,  
crucially important!

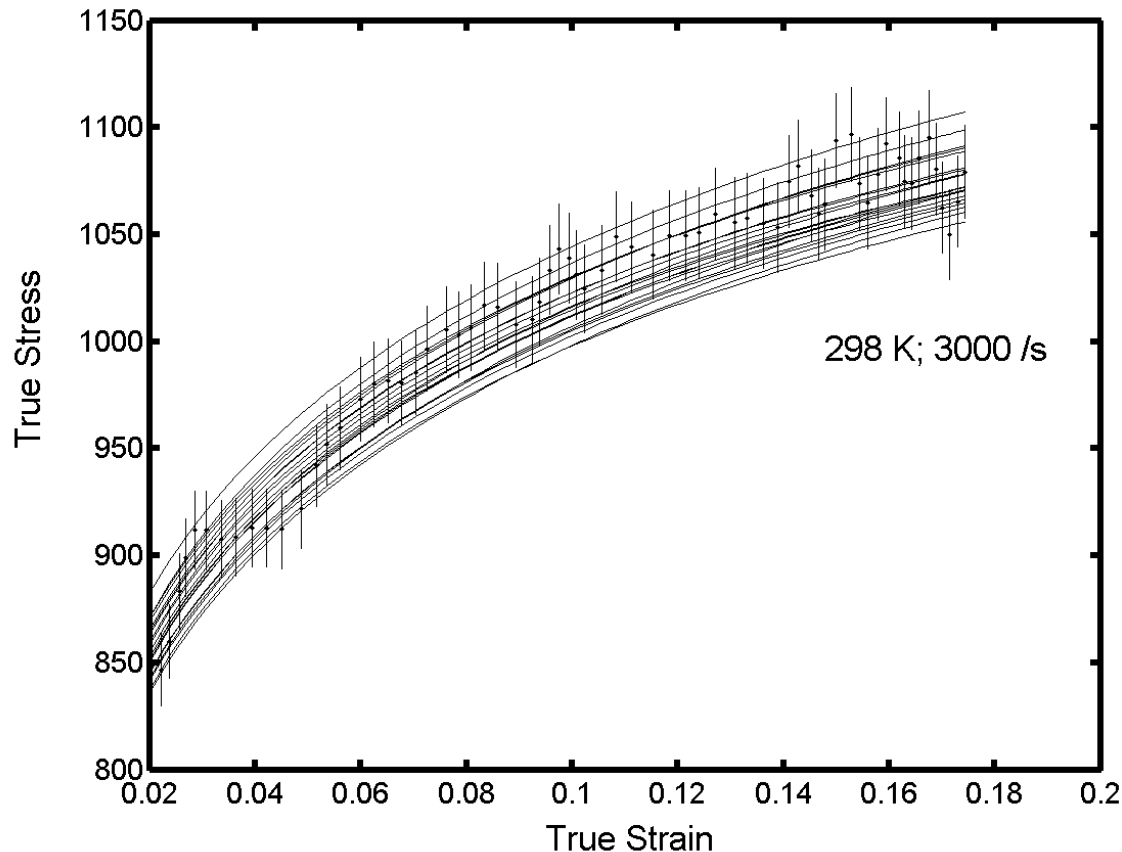
## Correlation coefficients

	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$	$\alpha_3$	$\alpha_4$	$\alpha_5$	$\alpha_6$
$\alpha_1$	1	-0.083	0.372	0.207	-0.488	0.267
$\alpha_2$	-0.083	1	0.344	0.311	0.082	0.130
$\alpha_3$	0.372	0.344	1	0.802	0.453	-0.621
$\alpha_4$	0.207	0.311	0.802	1	0.271	-0.466
$\alpha_5$	-0.488	0.082	0.453	0.271	1	-0.860
$\alpha_6$	0.267	0.130	-0.621	-0.466	-0.860	1

# Monte Carlo sampling

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- Use Monte Carlo to draw random samples from uncertainty distribution for Zerilli-Armstrong parameters

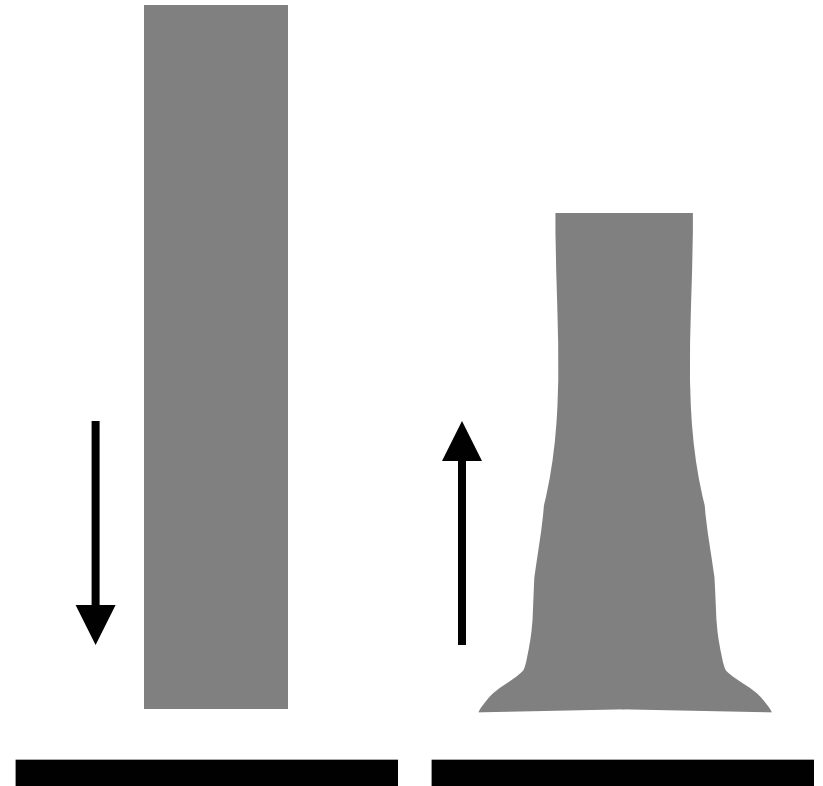




# Taylor impact test

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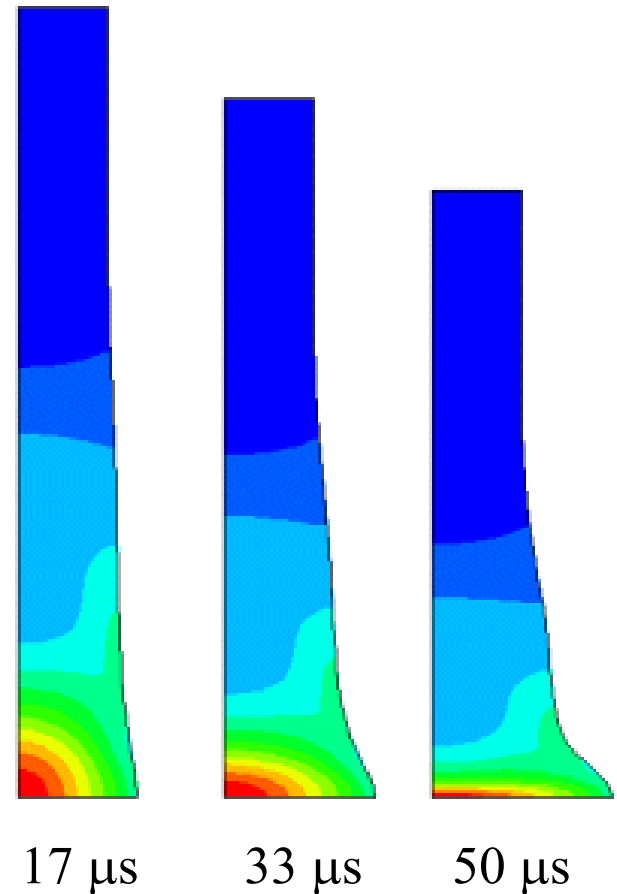
- Propel cylinder into rigid plate
- Measure profile of deformed cylinder
- Deformation depends on
  - cylinder dimensions
  - impact velocity
  - plastic flow behavior of material at high strain rate
- Useful for
  - determining parameters in material-flow model
  - validating simulation code (including material model)



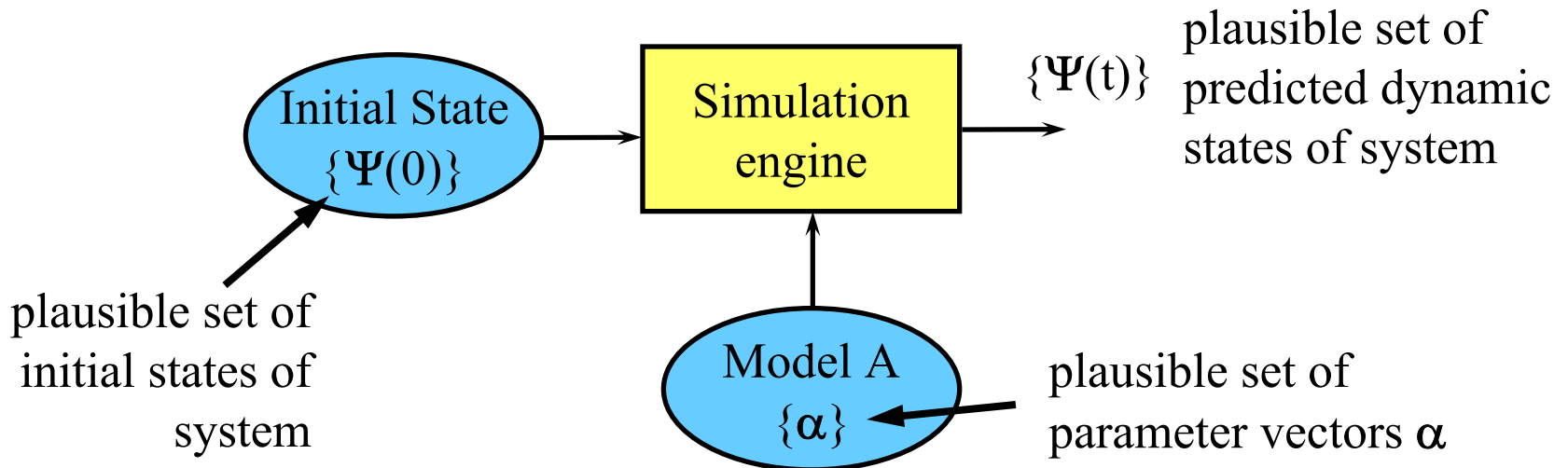
# Taylor test simulations

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- Simulate Taylor impact test
  - ▶ Abaqus, commercial FEM code
  - ▶ Johnson-Cook model for rate-dependent strength and plasticity
  - ▶ ignore anisotropy, fracture effects
  - ▶ cylinder: high-strength steel  
15-mm dia, 38-mm long
  - ▶ impact velocity = 350 m/s
- Effective total strain reaches 250%



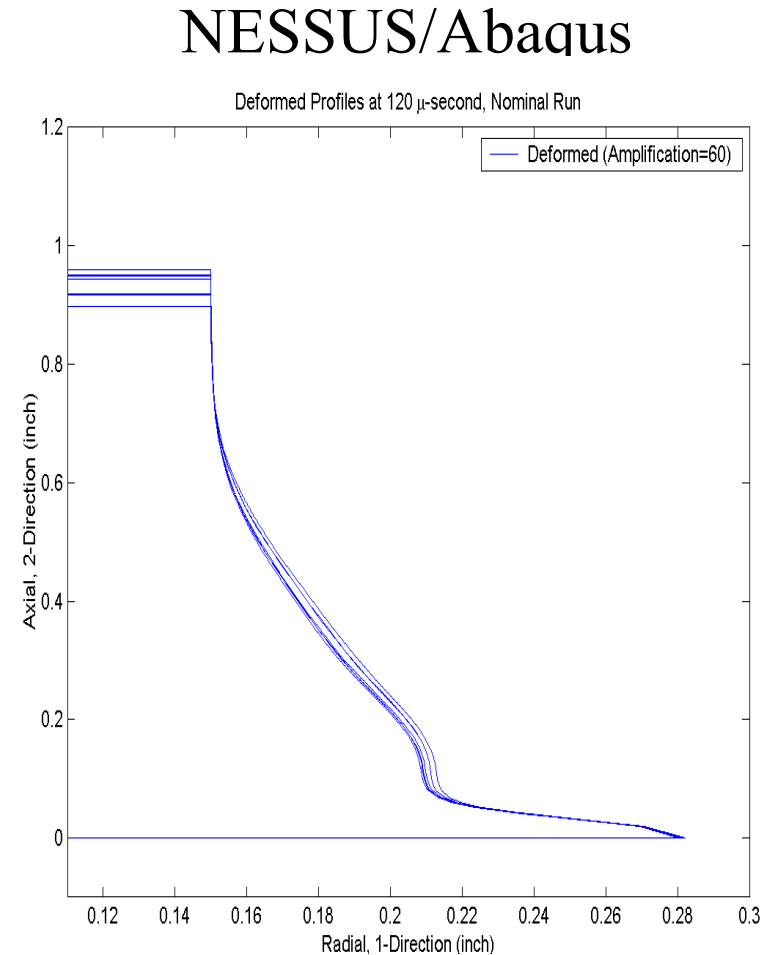
# Plausible simulation predictions (forward)



- Generate plausible predictions for known uncertainties in parameters and initial conditions
- Monte Carlo method
  - ▶ run simulation code for each random draw from pdf for  $\alpha$ ,  $p(\alpha|.)$ , and initial state,  $p(\Psi(0)|.)$
  - ▶ simulation outputs represent plausible set of predictions,  $\{\Psi(t)\}$

# Monte Carlo example - Taylor test

- Use MC technique to propagate uncertainties through deterministic simulation code
  - ▶ Draw value for each of four parameters from its assumed Gaussian pdf
  - ▶ Run Abaqus code for each set of parameters
- Figure shows range of variation in predicted cylinder shape

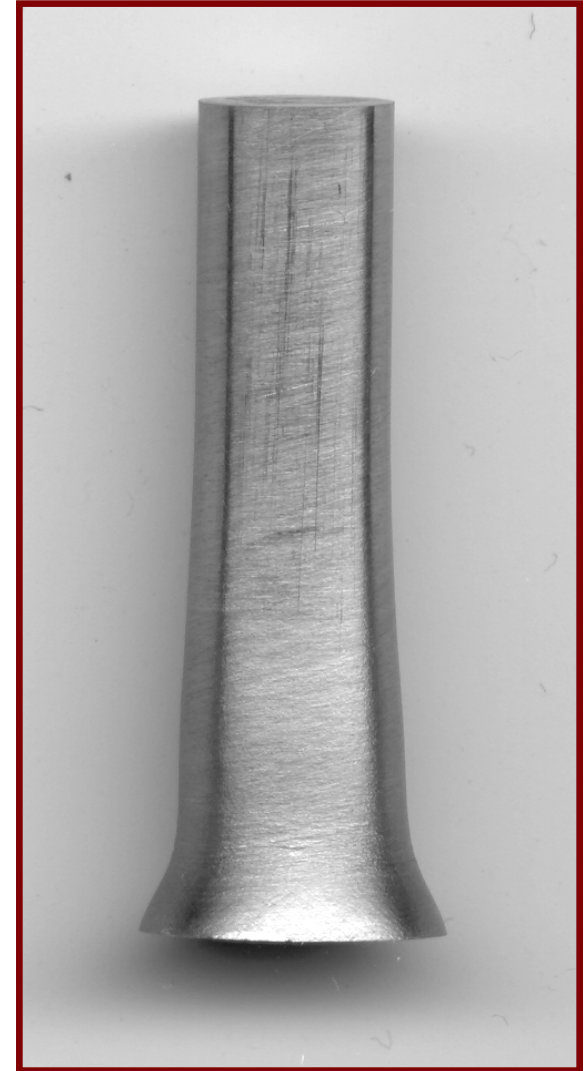


High-strength steel HSLA 100  
246 m/s impact velocity

# Taylor test experiment

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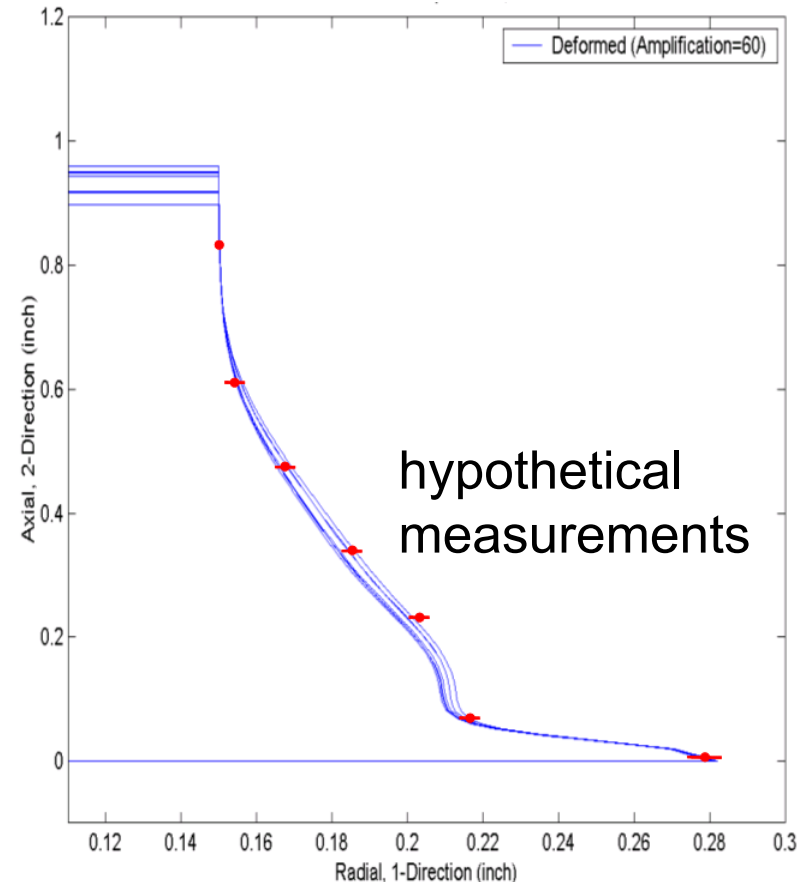
- Taylor impact test specimen
  - ▶ high-strength steel HSLA 100
  - ▶ impact velocity = 245.7 m/s
  - ▶ dimensions, final/initial
    - length 31.84 mm / 38 mm
    - diameter 12.00 mm / 7.59 mm



# Comparison with experiment

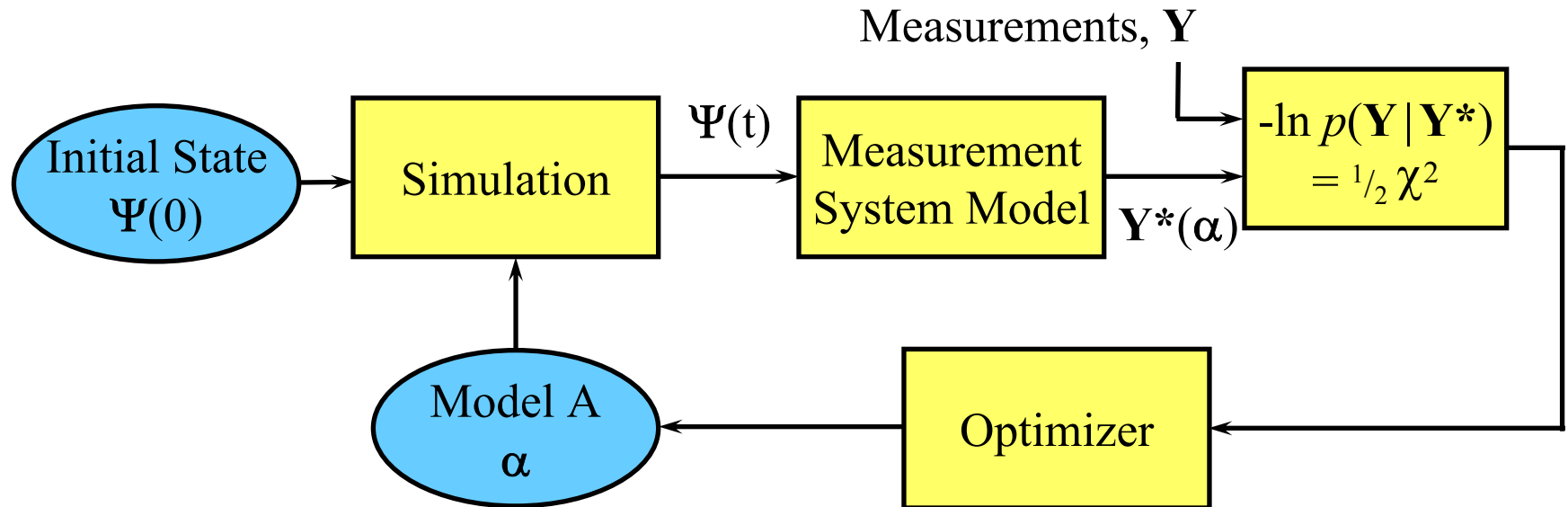
- Don't have measurements of the deformed cylinder yet, but suppose we do
- ZA model parameters can be fit to Taylor data in same way as they were to basic material characterization data
- Results of previous analysis may be used as prior in this analysis

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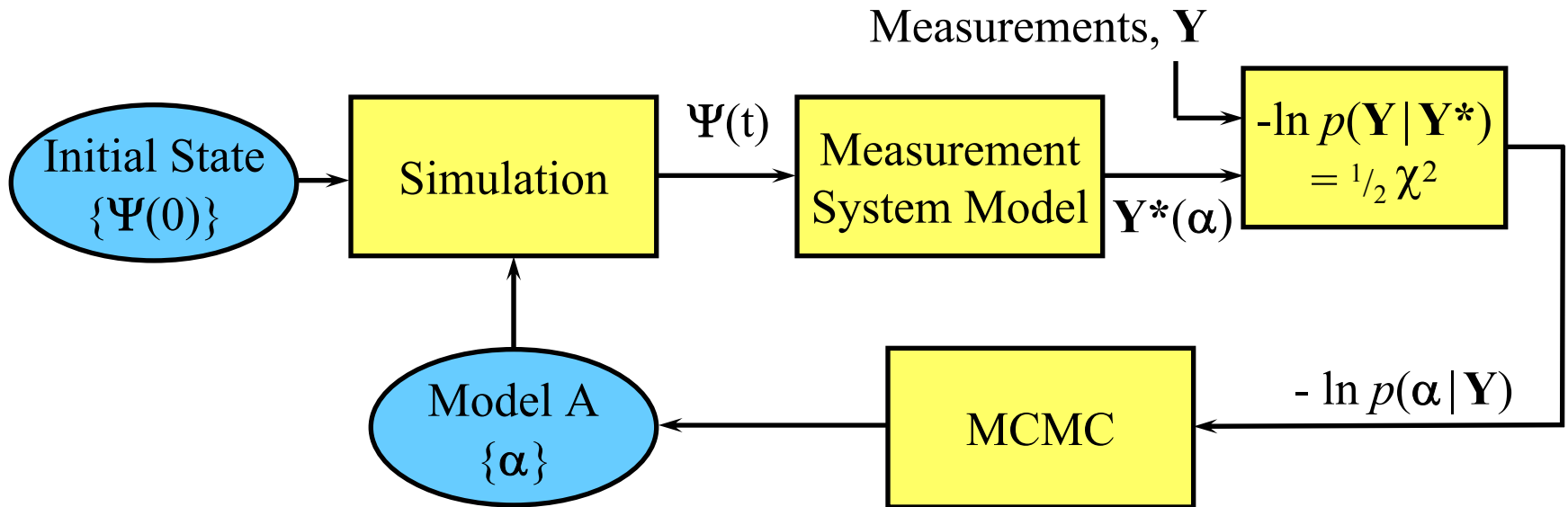
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# Parameter estimation - maximum likelihood



- Optimizer adjusts parameters (vector  $\alpha$ ) to minimize  $-\ln p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{Y}^*(\alpha))$
- Result is maximum likelihood estimate for  $\alpha$  (also known as minimum-chi-squared solution)
- Optimization process is accelerated by using gradient-based algorithms along with adjoint differentiation to calculate gradients of forward model

# Parameter uncertainties via MCMC



- Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) algorithm generates a random sequence of parameters that sample posterior probability of parameters for given data  $\mathbf{Y}$ ,  $p(\alpha | \mathbf{Y})$ , which yields plausible set of parameters  $\{\alpha\}$ .
- Must include uncertainty in initial state of system,  $\{\Psi(0)\}$



# Bayesian strategy for UQ of simulation code

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- Hierarchy of experiments
  - ▶ basic - designed to isolate and characterize a basic physical phenomenon at single
  - ▶ partially integrated - involves more complex combination of phenomena, e.g., multiple materials, varying conditions, complex geometry, ...
  - ▶ fully integrated - attempt to approach application conditions
- Inference - use validation experiments to update info about model
  - ▶ capture info in terms of uncertainties
  - ▶ uncertainties indicate degree of confidence in prediction
  - ▶ attempt to develop model that is consistent with ALL available experiments
- Ultimate goal - Combine results from many (all) experiments
  - ▶ reduce uncertainties in model parameters
  - ▶ require consistency of models with all experiments

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